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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING A NOVEL TESTIS-SPECIFIC
TUBULIN TYROSINE-LIGASE-LIKE PROTEIN, BGS42

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
WITHOUT TRAVERSE**

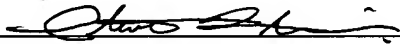
Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated August 4, 2005, requesting an election of one invention to prosecute in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants hereby provisionally elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, without traverse, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide encoding a testis specific tyrosine ligase-like protein (BGS-42), fragments thereof, vectors and host cells comprising the same, and methods of making a polypeptide. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed. Applicants Reply is timely and no extensions of time are required.

If any fee is due in connection herewith, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-3880 of the undersigned. Furthermore, if any extension of time not already accounted for is required, such extension is hereby petitioned for, and it is requested that any fee due for said extension be charged to the above-stated Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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